

her to give, but also her purse, her clearness and soundness of judgment. The Lady Managers feel well assured that Mrs. Widder's name is still remembered with feelings of gratitude and respect by all well wishers of the Orphans' Home. This amiable lady has remitted to the First Directress money collected by her in England, and amounting to the handsome sum of £51 5s. 8d. currency.

In reference to the number and condition of the children, the Lady Managers would remark, that there are at present on the books the large number of Fifty-four, and that Twenty-four have been admitted within the present year. Eight children have been either apprenticed or adopted, and Five were returned to their parents. Out of this number of Fifty-four, only one death has occurred. This leads them to the mention of Dr. Ogden's name, of whom the Lady Managers feel that they cannot speak too highly. This estimable gentleman continues to give his valuable services gratuitously, and with what success, the above statement will sufficiently indicate. In connexion with the appearance and condition of the children, the Lady Managers feel that they cannot pass unnoticed the conduct of the Matron, Mrs. Holmes, who amidst difficulties of no ordinary nature, continues to watch over her charge with a mother's care. The mental culture of the children has also of late engaged the attention of the Lady Managers, who have made arrangements for the instruction of the children. For this favour they are indebted to the services of several young ladies, who have kindly consented to attend two hours each day; these arrangements promise so far to be eminently successful.

Various sums of money have been received during the year from different public bodies. Among these may be reckoned the sum of £7 10s. currency, being the amount of a collection made by the Orangemen, assembled in St. James' Cathedral, on the 12th July, 1855; also the sum of £30 currency, from an Orange Soirée held in November last, and presented to our Society by Orange Lodge No. 301; and also the sum of £5 from "The Odd Fellows."

Most valuable donations in kind continue to be received, by